25. M|s Videocomp Distributors, Inc., Houston

26. M/s Nimbus Communication Pvt. Ltd. Bombay

27. M|s Asia Televisions Network, Bombay

28. M/s Anand Bazar Patrika Limited, Calcutta

29. M|s. Varan Communications Pvt. Ltd., Delhi

30. M|s. British Television, New Delhi

31. M|s Forum for Better Cinema, Bombay.

32. M|s B. R. Films, Bombay

33. M|s Innovision Communications, Bombay

34. M|s Jain Studios Ltd., New Delhi.

35. M/s Krishnaswamy Associates Pvt. Ltd., Madras

36. M/s Global Channel Dosti Communications Pvt. Ltd., Bombay

37. M/s Pothujanam TV Programme Centre, Trivandrum.

38. M|s Raj Television Network, Madras.

39. M|s Centre for Media Studios, New Delhi

40. M/s All India Economic Offences, Awarness Bureau, Hydrabad

41. M/s Cinevista Ads, Bombay.

42. M|s New Delhi Television, New Delhi.

43. M|s Janmat Dhanbad

44. M|s TV. Communications Ltd., New Delhi.

45. M|s. Vishal Productions, Bombay

46. M/s N.M. Gopalratnam, Madras

Share of MNCs in consumer items

*75. **SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM:** Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that multinational companies have a substantial share in the domestic market in consumer items like soap, tooth-paste cosmetics, detergents etc; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to restrict their capacity expansion in this sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Out of 88 public limited companies identified as FERA companies, M/s. Hindustan Lever Limited have a substantial share in soap industry acccunting for about 35 per cent of the total production. M/s. Union Carbide India Limited have a share of about 42 per cent of the total production of dry cells. Apart from this, no other FERA company is having a substantial share in consumer items.

(b) No Sir, except in respect of items reserved for the small scale sector and those listed for compulsory licensing in the Industrial Policy Statement of 24th July, 1991.

दूरदर्शन पर उर्दू में समाचार बुलेटिन

*76. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:** क्या सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार दूरदर्शन पर राष्ट्रीय नेटवर्क में उर्दू में समाचार बुलेटिन प्रसारित करने का विचार रखती है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो कब तक और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ; और

(ग) अब तक उर्दू में समाचार बुलेटिन प्रसारित न किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (कुमारी गिरिजा व्यास) : (क) जी, हां ।

(ख) और (ग) विभिन्न कारणों, जिनमें प्रसारण समय, तथा साधन और जन शक्ति की कमी भी शामिल है, की वजह से राष्ट्रीय नेटवर्क में उर्दू समाचार बुलेटिन प्रसारित करना संभव नहीं पाया गया है ।

Telecasting of 'Krishna' Serial

*77. DR. PATNAKAR PANDEY:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that special appeal has been made to Government for permission to telecast' 'Krishna' serial; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Letters have been received from the Members of Parliament and the public for telecast of Shri Ramanand Sagar's serial, "Krishna".

(b) No decision has been taken so far by the Government to telecast the serial in question.

*78. [Transfarred to the 4th September, 1991.]

Settlement of Bhopal Gas Victims

*79. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM:
SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that welfare organisations working in Bhopal for gas victims have threatened to take stronger measures if the Central Government does not clarify its stand on the settlement of Bhopal gas victims;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the steps taken by the Union Government to redress the grievances of these gas victims are inadequate; and

(c) if so, the reaction of Government thereto and what fresh measures Government propose to take to provide adequate relief to the victims of Bhopal Gas disaster?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (c) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) The settlement order dated the 14th and 15th February, 1989 of the Supreme Court directing the Union Carbide Corporation, USA and Union Carbide India Limited to pay a sum of US $ 470 million in full settlement of all the claims is the subject of several review petitions. The Government is supporting the review petitions. The matter is presently sub judice in the Supreme Court.

(b) and (c) A number of steps have been taken to assist the victims of the gas leakage:

(i) An Interim Relief of Rs. 200 per month is being given with effect from 1-4-1990 to the residents of the 36 severely affected municipal wards of Bhopal.

(ii) Government has approved an Action Plan of Rs. 163.10 crores for Rehabilitation of the Bhopal